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Group Art Unit: 2878
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In re Patent Application of:
Ekdahl et al.

Application No.: 09/786,930

Filed: July 5, 2001

For: APPARATUS FOR MONITORING A FLUID
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 10, 2003, finally rejecting claims 15-30 and 32, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

- 1-14. (canceled)
15. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 3214 in combination with a control device.
16. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 15 wherein said control device comprises a device for the extracorporeal treatment of blood.
17. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 3214 wherein said second optical sensor is integrally formed with said light source.
18. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 3214 including a housing, and wherein said light source, said first optical sensor and said second optical sensor are disposed in said housing.